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PD-96315

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Kar W. Yung, et al**

Date: **April 9, 1999**

Serial No. 08/949,988

Group Art Unit: 3641

Filed: October 14, 1997

For: Method And System For Maximizing
Satellite Constellation Coverage

Examiner: T. Dinh

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

 X Applicant petitions for an extension of time for 1 months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated 12/31/98. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

_____ An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of \$
is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request **\$110.00**

_____ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated
_____. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that
applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

_____ No additional fee for claims is required.

_____ The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	minus	19*	=	0	x \$ 18.00	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2	minus	2**	=	0	x \$ 78.00	\$ 0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	x \$ 260.00	\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:							\$ 0

Charge \$0 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. **This form is submitted in triplicate.**

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 1998, the period for response which has been extended by one month to May 30, 1999. The Commissioner authorized to use Hughes' Deposit Account No. 50-0383 to cover the fee of \$110.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(a)(1)--a duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for that purpose--.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims:

1. (AMENDED) A method for maximizing satellite constellation coverage at predetermined local times for a set of predetermined geographic locations, the method comprising:

determining a satellite constellation having a first coverage, the constellation

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that this paper, including all enclosures referred to herein, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage pre-paid, in an envelope addressed to: Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on:

April 9, 1999
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